

FISCAL NOTE - CAPTION BILL

HB 65 - SB 1072

April 25, 2002

CAPTION BILL: Fiscal note reflects amendment filed to lift bill from the Senate and House Clerk's desk (014007).

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the Victims of Crime State Coordinating Council and provides the following:

- Victims Council shall be administratively attached to the Tennessee Coalition Against Domestic and Sexual Violence and shall be composed of:
 - Director of the administrative office of the court;
 - Executive director of the district attorneys general conference
 - President of the Tennessee sheriffs' association;
 - President of the Tennessee chiefs of police;
 - State treasurer;
 - Attorney general and reporter;
 - Executive director of the coalition against domestic and sexual violence;
 - Chairperson of the board of probation and paroles;
 - Commissioner of education;
 - Up to 9 members, not more than one from each congressional district chosen by members of the victims council.
- Victims Council shall meet at least twice a year;
- All administrative expenditures incurred by the victims' council, including employment of a victim's advocate, shall be included in the plan submitted to the state treasurer requesting grant funds from the criminal injuries compensation fund as provided for in TCA 40-24-107;
- Victims Council member shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for travel expenses;
- Victims council is to promote awareness of the needs of victims and families of victims, to provide information and resources, and coordinate and assist the efforts of victims rights organizations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund:

\$59,624 Recurring

\$5,000 One-Time

Other Fiscal Impact: Earmarks existing grant funds, currently provided to the Tennessee victim's coalition from the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund as provided for in TCA 40-24-107, to provide funding for the above expenditures.

Estimate assumes an increase in state expenditures for two meetings of the victims of crime coordinating council and for salary and related expenses for the addition of a victim's advocate position.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



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